



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

March 1, 2002

**H.R. 1883  
Burnt, Malheur, Owyhee, and Powder River Basin Water Optimization  
Feasibility Study Act of 2001**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on February 27, 2002*

H.R. 1883 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies for optimizing water use in the Burnt River, Malheur River, Owyhee River, and Powder River basins in Oregon. The bill would authorize the appropriation of funds necessary to complete those feasibility studies.

Based on information from the Bureau of Reclamation and assuming the appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1883 would cost about \$650,000 over the 2002-2007 period. H.R. 1883 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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